

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

The FCC is charge with protecting the public interest. In a democracy, the public interest centers on requiring responsible use of the air waves, which are owned by the public, to ensure that diverse viewpoints are aired and that citizens have access to a wide variety of information needed to make informed choices.

Media consolidation has had an extremely negative affect on the quality of international, national and local reporting. Ownership limits are absolutely needed to preserve what is left of diverse reporting and analysis.